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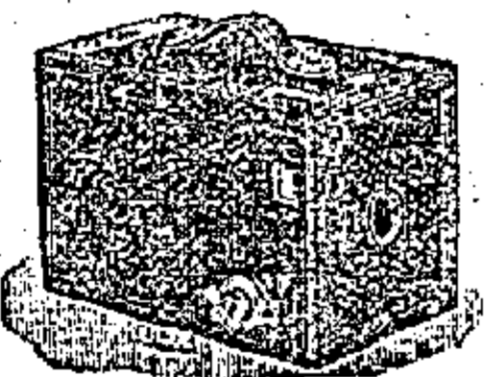
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THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.

CELEBRATIONS AT HONGKONG.

Yesterday being the King's Birthday was observed as a public holiday. All the Government offices, the exchange banks, schools and most of the mercantile firms were closed. The day was favoured with glorious weather; the sky was perfectly cloudless in the morning; and the atmosphere was cool and very agreeable. British and foreign ships in harbour, almost without exception, were gaily decorated with bunting. At an early hour Hongkong presented a very active appearance; holiday makers crowding towards Happy Valley to see the King's Birthday Review. Rickshaws were practically unobtainable at the ferry landing and other centres, while the tram-cars were crowded. Passing Ah King's slipway numerous sailing boats were seen making a departure from the anchorage. Some yachtsmen were out practically all day. The Royal Standard was hoisted at Headquarters House, and the Union Jack on board the hospital ship *Menace*. At Kowloon Police Pier the military authorities were busy unloading troops. This work was performed with remarkable smoothness; horses, etc., had been sent over on the previous day. The troops quartered at the barracks, and the Hongkong Volunteers as they marched to the Happy Valley added colour to the already gay appearance of the city.

THE PARADE.

The troops were reviewed at Happy Valley by His Excellency Major Sir Matthew Nathan, K.C.M.G. The picturesque parade ground presented a most striking appearance. The Jockey Club's various stands were occupied by numerous holiday makers of both sexes, while, below, at the rear of the saluting point, were numerous others. On either side, immediately at the rear of the saluting base, the more favoured few had seats provided for them, by courtesy of Headquarters Officers. The troops were drawn up in two lines in the following order, commencing from the right: The Saluting Battery, Blue-jackets, Marines, Royal Garrison Artillery, Royal Engineers, First Company of Sherwood Foresters (The Derby and Notts Regiment), Hongkong and Singapore Battalion of Royal Artillery, Hongkong Volunteer Corps, the 110th Mahratta Light Infantry, the 93rd Burma Infantry, and the 114th Mahrattas. The massed bands of the various regiments were drawn up on the right rear of the second line, under the baton of the Bandmaster of the First Sherwood Foresters. His Excellency Major-General Villiers Hutton, C.B., the officer commanding His Majesty's Forces in Hongkong and South China, accompanied by his staff—consisting of Capt. E. S. Ward, A.D.C., to his Excellency; Major R. A. Chichester, D.S.O., Chief Staff Officer; Major R. G. Ross, D.A.Q.M.G.; Lieut. Col. Kent, officer commanding the Royal Garrison Artillery, and a trumpeter—awaited the arrival of His Excellency the Governor. At about five minutes to ten His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan entered the enclosure, mounted on a beautiful chestnut horse; he was dressed in a grey suit and hat, and looked every inch a cavalier. He was accompanied by the following *Aides de Camp*: Capt. Smith, R.A.; Capt. Hodgson, S.F.; and Jemadar Bal Krishna Rao, of the 110th Mahrattas. On their approach to the Saluting Base the Royal Standard was unfurled. The General Officer Commanding Troops and his staff were stationed about thirty paces in front of the troops. As soon as the Viceroyal party took up their position at the saluting base His Excellency Major-General Villiers Hutton issued the command "Division will come to attention and salute." "Division Royal salute!" "Present arms!" The band thereon struck up the first stanza of the National Anthem, at the conclusion of which the order was given to resume the position at the slope. At this stage, while His Excellency the Governor was proceeding towards the troops for the purpose of inspecting them, a diversion was caused by a staff officer's horse becoming very restive. After butting up against the Governor, and discharging his scabbard and sword, which was evidently the cause of the mischief, His Excellency inspected the troops with the eye of an evidently well-versed in military matters. After the inspection, which met with His Excellency's approbation, the division fired a *feu de joie*. Unfortunately the effect was slightly marred by the discharge of a few offending rounds before their time. This was followed by another Royal Salute similar to the previous one. The division then came to the order, removed their head dress, and, taking their time from the General Officer Commanding, gave three ringing cheers for His Majesty King Edward VII., numerous spectators taking up the cry. This was followed by the march past; the order was as follows: Signallers from each detachment formed into one company, General Officer Commanding and staff, and the various companies in the same order as given when drawn up in line—excepting, of course, the saluting battery. It would be invidious for us to draw comparisons, but special praise is due for the admirable way in which the Naval Detachment performed their various evolutions. We should certainly have liked to see a larger muster of the Hongkong Volunteers who acquitted themselves in a soldier-like manner. The Naval Detachment was under Capt. Leslie C. Stewart, C.M.G., M.V.O. (H.M.S. *Vengeance*), and the other detachments under their various commanding officers. The massed bands played selections for each individual detachment—their own regimental march. The sailors and marines marched to the tune of "Life on the

Ocean Wave," and our own volunteers to that of the "Grenadier Guards." Several companies received the acclamation of the onlookers. At the conclusion of the march past the officers and colours took post in review order. Division came to the slope, and then there was a repetition of the salute. Afterwards His Excellency left the parade ground, the troops marched off, and the crowd dispersed.

THE GENERAL'S RECEPTION.

During the afternoon Major-General Villiers Hutton held a reception at Headquarters, at which many visitors attended. Among those present were His Excellency the Governor and his *des-de-camp*, several British Army and Naval officers, German naval officers and many civilians.

GOVERNOR'S LEVEE.

In the evening His Excellency entertained some fifty guests, heads of departments, &c., to dinner at Government House, and afterwards held a general reception. The grounds were prettily decorated with a profusion of Japanese lanterns, while the interior of the house was gaily adorned with greenery and bunting. This showed particularly to advantage under the electric light.

His Excellency was seated at the head of the hall, where he received individually a large number of guests of both sexes. After the reception, the guests either strolled about the premises admiring the decorations, or betook themselves to the hall below, where light refreshments were dispensed.

The decorations on the staircase are deserving of special mention, drooping palms forming an archway into the reception room. Around the flower pots on either side clusters of maiden-hair ferns were prettily arranged.

After dark last night, H.M.S. *Vengeance* in harbour was illuminated with electric lights. One of the German ships had illuminated a big "E" surmounted by a crown.

THE STRANDING OF THE "SWANLEY."

A Marine Court of Enquiry was held at the Master Attendant's office on October 31st into the stranding of the coal ship *Swanley*, which struck on an uncharted reef near the Natus Islands. Mr. E. C. Howard, the Senior Magistrate, presided, and the Court consisted of Lieut. Holmes, a naval officer, and Captains Tait and Symmers.

Mr. Farrer, the Deputy Public Prosecutor, conducted the enquiry for the Crown, and Mr. B. W. Braddell watched the case on behalf of the Captain.

Capt. Dawson was the first witness examined. They left Chin Wan Tao on September 24th bound for South Africa. On 3rd October at 6.25 p.m. they were two miles west of an island, passing through the central channel. At 7 p.m. they took the bearings. They altered the course to S.W. At 7.27 they struck on an uncharted reef or coral patch. The vessel's speed was about 1½ knots. He expected to find twenty-five fathoms there. All the boats were lowered and the engines put full astern. The ship was then put slow ahead. He fired signals for assistance and ascertained the damage to the vessel. He sounded round the vessel, but could not get two soundings to a fathom. The ship was not making any water. Three tanks were filled with salt water. They tried to reduce the water, but it was impossible. They took soundings round the vessel and got from 14 to 24 fathoms. The ship was drawing about 19 feet at the time. He had the ballast tanks pumped out, but it did no good. The sea was calm, but there was a slight swell. An anchor was put down. They jettisoned the coal. The ship was bumping all the while. The ship was made as tight as possible and the pumps kept the water down. On Wednesday the weight of the boiler and the bumping caused the plates to give. They repaired the damage as much as possible and sent a boat away in charge of the second officer to look for an anchorage. They got the ship off the reef on Thursday and anchored her. All the coolies, except one hundred, were landed on Friday. On Saturday they landed fifteen days' provisions and also landed a few officers to look after the coolies. On Sunday morning they sailed for Singapore at about four knots. They arrived at Singapore at 6.30 p.m. on the 11th. The compass was correct. When on the reef he took the bearings as also did the second officer. On the morning after his arrival he reported the matter to the Master Attendant. The second officer had been sent to Hongkong to assist the *Comptrolleur* (which had gone to take the coolies off) in finding an anchorage. The first officer had been paid off, but the books had not been signed. Witness told the chief officer in a different part of the Shipping Office that he had permission to pay him off, but this was a misunderstanding. The first officer was on duty on the night of the stranding. The lookout man, a Chinaman, had deserted, as also had a Chinese quartermaster who was at the helm on the night in question. He had taken out a warrant for their arrest at the instructions of the Master Attendant.

Mr. Braddell put a few questions to Capt. Dawson as to the position of the reef.

This witness was most difficult to follow. He spoke in a peculiar guttural undertone.

By the Court:—He had never been through this passage before when in a passenger ship.

He had been in sailing vessels and cargo boats. H. Brown, the first officer, was then called.

He was on duty at the time of stranding. Witness proceeded to give the course of the vessel: About 7.27 the ship struck a reef and became fast. The engines were put full astern and the boats were got out. The speed was about 11 knots. Witness was on the bridge and the captain was seeing the course. The ship was making water in No. 1 and 2.

This witness did not appear to understand the questions put by the Deputy Public Prosecutor.

Owing to his peculiar pronunciation it was almost impossible to follow his evidence. The Court also appeared to find it difficult to hear this witness.

Witness was understood to say that he had not been through this passage before.

Mr. Braddell had no questions to ask.

In answer to the Court, witness said he did not remember if he took bearings or not on a certain date. The Captain was looking at the chart when the vessel struck.

J. Edwards, the chief engineer, also gave evidence as to the working of the engines.

W. Johnston, second engineer, also gave evidence.

The Court notified the Deputy Public Prosecutor that they did not require the evidence of the other engineers.

The Court asked if there was any evidence as to the condition of the coolies on the island.

Mr. Farrer said that the gunboat which went to the island had not returned yet.

Capt. Dawson said he had received letters from the overseas.

The Court said that there was so much other evidence that it was desirable to hear that they might adjourn the case.

Mr. Farrer agreed to this.

The enquiry was adjourned till November 22nd.—*Strait Times*.

JAPAN'S WAR BILL.

The rate of expenditure according to the latest advices (said a recent City article in the *Times*) is now not more than about 420,000,000 yen (£42,000,000) per annum, or a little over £80,000 per week. This reduction in the estimated cost has been reduced possible owing partly to the greatly improved facilities for supplying the armies resulting from the completion of the alteration of the gauge of the railway from the coast to Liaoyang and its equipment with adequate rolling-stock, combined with the accumulation of abundant stores at the ports used as bases. It has been found possible recently to reduce the number of hired vessels employed in the transport service, and, generally, the work of keeping the field forces well supplied with all they need has become less expensive than it was two months ago. No doubt the availability of the Liao River as far as Liaoyang since the retreat of the Russian forces to the north of that place has also tended to reduce the transport difficulties of the Japanese and *pro tanto* to diminish expenditure. So far as can be present be seen the task of providing the armies with stores will not be increased materially in the near future, at any rate until Mukden has come into Japanese hands, though, of course, if the strength of the forces operating in Manchuria is increased the cost will also increase. The approach of winter will make the river route impracticable. What may be called the currency requirements of the armies in Manchuria—that is, the Japanese notes circulating there—have, it is believed, reached their maximum. About 50,000,000 yen (£5,000,000) have been issued by the Government in "war" notes, and the total appears to be sufficient to enable all "retail" payments at the seat of war to be met. The convertibility of these notes, which are accepted readily by the Chinese traders and shopkeepers, has been effectually secured by the despatch of over 30,000,000 yen of silver coin to Manchuria. This sum will be gradually brought up to 40,000,000 yen. The silver for this purpose has nearly all been bought in San Francisco, and paid for by drafts on London. A certain amount of small silver came from Japan itself early in the war, and in some parts of the country, which have thus been denuded of currency, especially 50¢ pieces, a slight degree of inconvenience has been felt. Representations to Tokyo have been made on this subject by provincial authorities, and we understand that, as soon as the mint has completed the coining of all the silver referred to above as needed in Manchuria, their wants will be attended to. It had been hoped that after the establishment of the Japanese gold standard in Formosa considerable amounts of silver coin would have become available for export to the seat of war, but apparently the people of that island have not yet become accustomed to the new monetary arrangement and have continued, so far, to retain, and even to hoard, the silver. No doubt they will gradually perceive the advantages of the new system when they have got used to the Japanese note currency, but their unwillingness to take it at once is not surprising.

BIG YOKOHAMA LIFE INSURANCE CLAIM.

In the Yokohama Court on the 24th October was heard a suit instituted by Mr. Miyamoto Kumasaburo, of Kagawa-ken, against the Yokohama branch of the New York Life Insurance Company, claiming from the latter the payment of 23,000 yen insurance money.

Mr. Miyamoto, a relative of the plaintiff, reported the insurance contract of 23,000 yen as premium for the period from that date until March 2nd, 1904. Tame-saburo died on November 30th, at 9 a.m. Accordingly an application was made to the defendants for the payment of the insurance money.

The defendant did not pay the money, and the present suit was instituted. Counsel for plaintiff produced documentary evidence.

Dr. Masujima, Counsel for defendants, applied to the Court for an adjournment in order to make fuller investigations before giving a reply to the plaintiff's statement.

The hearing (as is usual in Japan) was adjourned for a few months. No Japanese Court ever decided a case in less than three months.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The steamer *Catherine Apear*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the 8th Nov., p.m.

The C.E.R. steamer *Tartar* arrived at Negasati at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, the 8th Nov., and left again at 4 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 6 a.m. on Thursday, the 10th Nov.

PARIS.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Paris, 13th October.

FRANCE AND SPAIN.

It is well that every cloud has a silver lining. The relations between France and Spain, which have been somewhat strained of late, have, once more, thanks to the tact and ability of diplomats, become friendly. Every effort was made to disperse the black clouds before the King of Spain came to Paris. Though France and Spain are friends again, the young Spanish monarch has thought it wise to postpone his visit until certain points are cleared. Morocco is not apparently the only bone of contention as many erroneously imagine. The reason why negotiations between the two Governments were reported to be interrupted is that apart from the subject of Morocco, certain questions have arisen which are difficult of solution, and no approximate date can be given for their final settlement. However, it is confidently expected that an agreement will be arrived at during the winter months, so as to enable King Alfonso XIII. to visit Paris early next spring. All will depend, as already observed, on the rapid settlement of the questions at issue. His Majesty, who is anxious to make the acquaintance of Parisians and *vice versa*, feels not a little sorry that he had to postpone his visit, but sincerely trusts that he will have no occasion to do so again. King Alfonso is due in London towards the middle of next month. It is hinted here that certain foreign influences have been brought to bear on the Spanish Cabinet, and that these have hindered the arrival at a settlement. Both the Spanish Ministers and the Spanish people are anxious for a definite solution as well as a continuation of the good relations between the two countries. This unanimity of opinion will greatly assist in bringing about a friendly arrangement. No one expects the cloud which has cast a shadow over the relations of France and Spain to burst.

AN UNPLEASANT INCIDENT.

occurred here a few days ago, when the Spanish Consul broke some seals placed by a French magistrate on the residence of Senor Jaffre, a Spaniard living in the Rue Marivaux.

The gentleman in question had, it appears, procured a number of valuable decorative objects from Spanish and Parisian shopkeepers, who had not been able to secure payment. The legal authorities were consulted, and a magistrate sealed the doors of the flat in the usual way, at the same time informing the Consul. The latter requested the Magistrate to remove the seals, so that he might take an inventory, but was met with a refusal. The Consul then went to the Rue Marivaux, broke the seals, and entered the flat, afterwards placing his own seals on the doors. The Magistrate on hearing this acquainted the Foreign Minister, who duly communicated with the Spanish Embassy. The affair is but a trivial one, but happening as it does, when the two Governments are not on the best of terms, matters may become a little serious. The manner in which M. Combes treated the monks and other religious persons has been keenly felt by the Spaniards—who are devout Catholics.

THE MARSEILLES STRIKE.

The Marseilles strikers have lost all public sympathy since they have so foolishly refused to accept the judgment of the arbitrators, and so bring the critical state of affairs to a close. By such an unwise decision the men, it must be admitted, have acted very much the part of spoiled children who, when unable to get exactly what they want, refuse to take anything else, and have consequently to suffer for their obstinacy. The outcome of the men's refusal to abide loyally by the conclusions of an arbitrator to whom the dockers of Marseilles had voluntarily agreed to submit the points at issue between themselves and the shipowners' transport companies will be very serious. Numerous firms have already removed their headquarters to foreign ports; not a day passes but this compulsory example is followed by other commercial firms who can no longer afford to allow patriotism to outweigh private interest. The settlement of the difficulties are more remote than ever now—hence why it is useless to remain at Marseilles under the circumstances. Now, the principal point of difference between the employers and the strikers is the right claimed by the former to make engagements without distinguishing between union and non-union labourers. This right is founded on the agreement entered into at the time of the labour troubles twelve months ago, and the arbitrator in his judgment upheld the view of the employers. When the decision was read before a meeting of the dockers, a vote was taken which resulted in a rejection of the ruling, and the passing of a resolution to continue to refrain from re-starting work until the masters gave way.

Such is the present position of affairs at the southern port at the present moment, with the additional complication that the dockers' committee have resigned in a body as a protest against the disloyalty of their comrades. Marseilles will never again, it is believed, regain its former prosperity; meanwhile the quays and docks present a most pitiable spectacle, as may be readily imagined; there are hundreds of vessels lying there still unable to load or unload.

THE SUN OF CHRISTIANITY SETTING.

The newest feature of French life, brought about by the conflict with the Church, is the civil "christening." One of these ceremonies is just reported from Pithiviers, hitherto only celebrated for its honey and lark-pies. A baby was brought before the Mayor a few days ago for "baptism." It was accompanied by the usual procession, including "godfather" and "godmother," who declared to the official that they would "engage" to watch over the bringing up of their "godchild," apart from any religion, but seeing that it was given the proper

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IN HONOUR OF ZOLA.

The proposition to purchase the house where the late Emile Zola was born, and to transform it into a public monument to his memory, is likely to be carried out, as the idea is warmly supported. The house in question is situated at Médan, and is the goal of an annual pilgrimage of the admirers of the great writer. Owing to the fact that the structure is in imminent danger of being sold to a private purchaser, who most probably will make considerable alterations in its appearance, M. Alfred Bruceau has called on all good Republicans to subscribe their mite to the sum necessary for its purchase. The celebration of the second anniversary of the death of Emile Zola next Sunday promises to be a very imposing ceremony, when a procession consisting of delegates from all the Republican societies and workmen's unions will pass before the house where he died in Paris, in the Rue de Bruxelles, and also before his tomb. The habitation of Gambetta, it will be remembered, was saved in a similar way from spoliation; it is only right to accord a similar honour to the founder of the League of the Rights of Man. Zola did as much by his writings for France as the brilliant statesman did by his oratory. Having battled equally in the cause of the people, France is proud to allude to Gambetta and Zola as two of her greatest sons.

STUDENTS' HUMOUR.

Paris students have strange ways at times of what they call "burying their hatchet." One of the wildest scenes witnessed for some time in this capital occurred at 2 a.m. last Thursday in the Rue de Montreuil, when half a dozen men, each bearing a lighted candle, marched bareheaded behind another individual carrying a small coffin surmounted by a cross. As they walked along they chanted a mournful dirge, varied at intervals by the chorus of the latest music-hall song. Encountering a police patrol, explanations were requested. In reply, the mourners burst out laughing, and told the officer that nothing was wrong, beyond the fact that the man who led the procession was to be married next day, and they were keeping up the event in jovial style. On the coffin being opened, a look of the young lady's hair and half a dozen love letters were found. The police inspector being accustomed to such jokes, dismissed the students, and cautioned them not to disturb the neighbourhood again in such a manner.

CIVIC COURTESIES.

The visit—a short and sweet one—of the Mayor and Corporation of Brighton to Dieppe turned out a first-class success, and has, it is considered, strengthened still more the friendly feeling between France and England. The reception could not have been more cordial on the part of the municipality and population of Dieppe. The town was profusely decorated from end to end with intertwined British and French flags; wherever the visitors went they were received with true hearty cheers. The costumes worn by the visitors aroused considerable curiosity. A banquet was served in the Chamber of Commerce, at which the happiest of short speeches were delivered. A message was sent to King Edward at Balmoral assuring him of the homage and respect of those assembled, a royal reply being received and read before the members of the two municipalities left table. The special performance of *Carmen* given at the theatre was much enjoyed, as were the visits to surrounding places of interest.

THE NATIONAL BIRD.

The recent competition of cockcrowling held at the International Agricultural Exhibition, in the municipal arenas on the Cours de la Reine, proved extremely interesting. The novelty is intended to supplant cock-fighting. The competitors were cocks, whose respective powers (of the various breeds) of crowing were duly tested, and judged by a jury of experts. Gamblers were allowed to "back their fancy."

THE POET AND THE YELLOW PERIL.

The letter which that eccentric poet M. François Coppée has written to the *Libre Presse* once more invoking the bogy of the "yellow peril," and strongly urging his countrymen not to treat the subject in a light vein, has not exactly produced the sensation one expected. According to M. Coppée, Russia will be victorious in the present war! At least he retains the belief that she will. Suppose she does not win? "Let us imagine," continues the poet, "the Japanese established on the Asiatic Continent. Undoubtedly, although intoxicated by their victory, they will be so exhausted by their losses and by their efforts that they will require some rest; but time repairs everything, and puffed up with pride, the yellow race, both at Tokyo and Peking, will have but one dream; first, to throw all the Western barbarians into the sea, and then—who knows?—to take the old road from the East to the West in armoured trains and ironclads." Such is M. Coppée's opinion of the war—and its consequences.

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Hongkong, 10th November, 1904. [2649]

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H. H. J. GOMPERTZ,

Police Magistrate.

Magistracy,

Hongkong 11th October, 1904. 2568

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

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Colonial Secretary's Office,

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Hongkong, 9th November, 1904. [2641]

TO LET.

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Apply to—
LINSTEAD & DAVIS.
Hongkong, 3rd October, 1904. [2363]

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NO. 6, UPPER MOSQUE TERRACE.
European residence, just renovated, painted and colour washed; immediate possession.

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Care of A. R. Marty.
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Apply to—
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
Hongkong, 8th August, 1904. [1177]

TO LET.

A LARGE OFFICE on Ground Floor, of No. 2 Wyndham Street. Possession 1st August, 1904.

Apply to—
THE SECRETARY,
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Hongkong, 14th July, 1904. [1710]

TO LET.

A SUITE of TWO ROOMS, on the Ground Floor of the Annex, suitable for Offices. For particulars apply to the undersigned.

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C. H. GRACE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 4th June, 1904. [1417]

TO LET.

NO. 16, HOLLYWOOD ROAD (8 Rooms) with Kitchen, Bathrooms, and Servants' Quarters.

Apply to—
H. M. S. H. ESMAIL,
4, Hollywood Road.
Hongkong, 16th August, 1904. [1199]

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THREE FIRST-CLASS SHOPS, European Style, in Kowloon. Possession on or about 31st August, 1905. Moderate Rentals.

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Hongkong, 21st June, 1904. [2350]

TO LET

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NO. 1, RIPON TERRACE (in FLATS).
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Hongkong, 29th June, 1904. [175]

TO LET.

FOUR LARGE ROOMS, on 1st Floor of the Connaught Hotel, suitable for Offices.
Apply to—
MANAGER,
Connaught Hotel.
Hongkong, 8th November, 1904. [2629]

TO LET.

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35, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 3rd June, 1904. [74]

TO LET.

TWO ROOMS, on the First Floor of the Alexandra Buildings.
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Hongkong, 17th June, 1904. [1515]

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FURNISHED ROOM, with Board, from date; Tennis Court attached; near Kowloon Ferry, Kowloon.
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Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 5th October, 1904. [2375]

TO LET.

ONE COMFORTABLY FURNISHED ROOM with Bathroom, &c., in 39 ROBINSON ROAD.
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Hongkong, 23rd September, 1904. [2331]

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Hongkong, 15th October, 1904. [2448]

TO LET.

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Apply to—
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Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [865]

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FINE LARGE STORE, in Queen's Road Central (Best Part).
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Hongkong, 8th September, 1904. [2161]

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Hongkong, 21st September, 1903. [2297]

DRASTIC CHANGES AT THE ADMIRALTY.

Sir John Fisher came into power at the Admiralty on October 21, and it was believed that a revolution in naval administration would be instituted when the new First Sea Lord took up his duties.

Several of the old and powerful officials were to depart, and their places to be taken by men more ready to facilitate innovations.

Among the changes to be certainly brought about were the following:—
A less wasteful scheme to be devised for the dockyards.

Naval supremacy over the Army in home defence to be insisted upon.
An economic redistribution of the fleets.
All useless ships to be recalled.
Gunnery to be placed before every other consideration in training.

The idea of the new naval school is that the Army is a department of the Navy, and that no strategic or military decision affecting these islands, India, or the Colonies should be arrived at until the naval view has been heard and considered.

The first thing that the new administrators will endeavour to secure is a decision as to whether or not the Navy is to be responsible for preventing invasion.

If it is to be responsible, £14,000,000 a year can be saved from the Army, it is said, and either spent on the Navy or given back to the public in the shape of remitted taxation. The expenditure on the British Army today is divided under two heads. About £14,000,000 a year goes on troops which are required abroad, and £14,000,000 a year is spent on military preparations for home defence.

The latter item is money thrown away in the opinion of the new men who run the Fleet from October 21.

Arrangements were to be made for increasing the power of the Fleet without increasing the expense. At the present time many ships of war are stationed in distant parts of the world for no sounder reason than that ships were placed there ages ago, before the strategy of to-day was thought of. In the event of war these ships would be useless, and their crews would be lost for effective purposes, like the crew of the Russian gunboat *Manchou* at Shanghai.

These useless ships of war will be brought home, and their officers and crews will be used for fighting ships on important stations.

The new system of naval crews will be adopted, and a new man-of-war, instead of being commissioned on one day, will receive its captain, commander, engineer, gunnery officer, warrant officers, and a few men several weeks before the day of commission. By this means new ships will be efficient on the day of their commission instead of weeks and weeks elapsing before they are fit to fight.

With regard to the consignment, it is believed that a large portion of the service and most of the duties now performed by the naval coast-guard could be equally well carried out by landmen. A fully-trained seaman-gunner costs about £250.

In order to provide nucleus crews for the ships of the Reserve, officers and men must be transferred from naval employments of lesser importance and concentrated on the one business of their life—namely, efficient fighting.

To provide these officers and men it may be that no more bluejackets will be appointed to the coastguard of the United Kingdom. The commissions of ships on foreign service may be cut down from three years to two.

All obsolete methods of gunnery will be swept away, and the restrictions and regulations which militate against good shooting will be cast out of the service with the faulty gun-sights which have caused so much trouble.

Daily Express.

THE BLIND IN HIS BLINDNESS.

It is a story from Poplar to Peking. But incidents reported concerning the Thames shipbuilding industry and British commerce with China may be read, remarked the *Standard* last month, together as illustrative of what happens at the two poles of our industrial system. Some time ago Messrs. Yarrow and Co. obtained a contract from the Austrian Government for the construction of thirty destroyers and torpedo-boats. To carry out the order within the stipulated time night work was indispensable. The more employment of extra hands by day would not do, as, by the nature of the case, the space is very cramped. It was, of course, a question of special remuneration, and the firm offered pay at the rate of "time and a quarter," which, it is stated, is the customary scale elsewhere. The local artificers, however, claimed "time and a half," and held out stiffly for this amount. Messrs. Yarrow urged without effect that to concede this would wipe out the margin of profit, and as the men remained inexorable, gave a practical proof of the good faith of their contention by abandoning their intention of building the vessels at Poplar. The work will now be done by Austrian and Italian labour, we presume, at the Stabilimento Tecnico, of Trieste, and whatever employment is involved in executing a contract of the value of a quarter of a million sterling has been lost to English workmen. A good deal has been heard of late about the depression in the Thames shipbuilding trade, and the usual appeal for sympathy has been made in the name of the labourers. If the episode which we have

described be typical, no further explanation is required of the source of the distress. In the Chinese instance, which is drawn from the latest instalment of that wonderful miscellany, the *Consular Reports*—it is the process of the employers of labour that was invited to consider. Mr. Jamieson, the Commercial Attaché to the Legation at Peking, who is the author of the *Reports* published yesterday on the Foreign Trade of China, is an official of great experience, and by no means disposed to form random judgments unfavourable to the direction of British enterprise. But he gives emphatic though a tacit confirmation to the standing complaint cast out by many a man either in the ranks of the native market. He quotes a most states of the curious mixture of rigidity and pomposity in the heads of great export houses. "We are ready enough to invoke the good offices of His Majesty's representatives in finding the means of access to the consuming classes. But when, in deference to their wish, the Consul has put them in communication with a suitable local agency, the well-intended requests of the latter are flouted in the most superior tone. To the mind of the mere haysman, it would seem obviously reasonable to ask for descriptive catalogues, specifications of lowest prices and freight charges, and an appropriate recognition of small samples. It was surely rather chilling and irrelevant to have in reply that the highly respected manufacturer's firm had been in existence a hundred and twenty-four years, that he knew from experience that samples were of little use in obtaining custom, and that a token of good faith he wanted a "sam" (order) to back for the lines which the agent knew he could sell." Is there room for wonder that the humble middleman did not pursue the negotiation? Probably a German or Belgian or American rival was sufficiently flexible to find and keep possession of the coveted field. We are aware that well-established English firms are not prepared to treat with much respect the reproaches with which the *Consular Reports* are loaded. They claim to know their own business, a good deal better than the diplomatic amateur who leaves home with a fixed idea in his head and feels bound to put it, when the time comes, into one of the regulations, paragraphs of the annual review. There may be some truth in this. A young official with a turn for writing is exposed to the temptation to show his patriotism at the expense of his seniors, and is a little apt to mistake the otiose theory for the outcome of intelligent observation. But the members of the Diplomatic Service cannot all be in a conspiracy to impute blame. On this point their judgment is almost unanimous. [The *Standard* does not appear to remember that the aforesaid diplomatic officials may be wisely prompted.]

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That from being a man able to lift up two hundredweight above my head with one arm alone, I was reduced by indigestion and kindred ailments to the weakness of a child, unable to walk without assistance. My health has been fully restored, and my strength renewed, solely through taking Chase, Forde's Bile Beans. This after being attended by two doctors without success, one doctor having declared I would never again be strong enough to walk."

Charles Forde's Bile Beans for Biliousness are a cure for indigestion, anaemia, weakness, female ailments, heat, flat, malaria, neuritis, humbug, rheumatism, debility, palpitation, pains in the back, piles, constipation, sleeplessness, loss of appetite, liver complaint, headache, flatulence, pimples, skin eruptions and all ailments having a common origin in impurity of blood, a general congestion of the system and loss of vital force.

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Hongkong, 26th May, 1904. [1233]

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Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [2265]

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BIL'S BEANS AND INDIGESTION.

SCENES FROM A MAN'S LIFE.

This article is written solely for the benefit of readers who suffer from indigestion, or any of its symptoms. From it it is seen that even the worst case must yield to Chase, Forde's Bile Beans.

SCENE I.
Thos. Watson, minor, of 19, Vietor Street, Gaitery, Castleford, Yorkshire, England, was an unusually strong man and a champion in weight lifting. Of all men illness seemed furthest from him, but—his he ran to suffer from indigestion. His strength faded.

SCENE II.
He felt as he had never felt before! In the morning awakened with a foul taste in mouth, bad breath. Hands trembled. Didn't want breakfast. At work felt sick, faint, and dizzy. Head ached, and felt too heavy for his neck. Pains in chest, back, and round waist. Grew weaker and weaker. No food would stay on his stomach. Couldn't work any more. Twelve months went by. Still unable to sleep. He got so weak that couldn't walk across kitchen floor without being supported. Gave up hope. Began to take Bile Beans, but didn't believe they would cure him.

SCENE III.
Notwithstanding his disbelief they did cure him. After taking a course of this medicine he was cured of every trace of indigestion, was back at work, and was rapidly regaining strength. Care remained permanent. Twelve months after being cured (during last month) a reporter interviewed him on his cure. "His strength been restored?" he asked. "For answer Watson picked up two 50lb weights, and raised them over his head, one in right and hoisted it above his head. Moreover, he held them there until he was photographed, and the photograph is now in the possession of the Bile Bean Co."

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NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL SESSION of HIS MAJESTY'S JUSTICES of the PEACE will be held in the JUSTICES' ROOM, at the Magistracy, on TUESDAY, the 15th day of November, A.D. 1904, at 2.30 P.M., for the purpose of considering the under-mentioned applications for Publican's and Adjunct Licences for the years 1904-1905.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Whether before licensed.	Description of Licence.	Sign of House.	Situation of House.	Previous History in each Case.	Remarks.
1	Moris Stenberg	Yes.	Publican's Licence.	The International Hotel	Nos. 318 & 320, Queen's Road Central	Has held a licence for about 21 years.	
2	Layder Silberman	"	"	The Globe Hotel	No. 184, " "	" for 11 "	
3	Isaac Samuel Grounstein	"	"	The Central Hotel	Nos. 240 & 244, " "	" for 52 "	
4	Bernat Cohen	"	"	The Land We Live In Hotel	Nos. 332 & 334, " "	" for 1 month.	
5	Mrs. Anna Papier	"	"	The Colonial Hotel	No. 1, Jubilee Street	" for 4 months.	
6	Carl Schluter	"	"	The Western Hotel	Nos. 90 & 92, Queen's Road West	" for 1 1/2 years.	
7	Mrs. Esther Oliver	"	"	The New Travellers Hotel	No. 74, Queen's Road Central	" for 7 "	
8	Fred. Hogard	"	"	The Praya East Hotel	Nos. 40 & 41, Wanchai Road	" for 1 "	
9	Jas. Wm. Osborne	"	"	The Kowloon Hotel	Elgin Road, Kowloon	" for 13 "	
10	Luiz Manoel Lobo	"	"	The Stag Hotel	No. 12, Queen's Road Central	" for 3 "	
11	Ismail Pillay Mudar	"	"	The New Victoria Hotel	No. 9, " "	" for 16 "	
12	Arthur Frederick Davies	No.	"	The Hongkong Hotel	No. 1 and 3, Pedder's Street	Has never held a licence before.	
13	Alexander Moir	Yes.	"	The Peak Hotel	Rural Building 1st No. 77, the Peak	Has held a licence for about 16 years.	
14	Geo. Green	"	"	The Criterion Hotel	Nos. 21 & 23, Pottinger Street	" for 3 months.	
15	William Kruter	"	"	The Rose, Shamrock & Thistle Hotel	Nos. 304 & 308, Queen's Rd. Central	" for 1 1/2 years.	
16	Anthony Milroy	"	Adjunct Licence.	The Sailors' Home	No. 184, Praya West	" for 5 months.	
17	Andreas Panjanje Kharas	"	Publican's Licence.	The Thomas Hotel	No. 2, One's Road Central	" for 2 years.	
18	Dimitriy Dorabjee	"	"	The King Edward Hotel	No. 3, Des Voeux Road Central	" for 2 1/2 "	
19	Louis Comar	"	"	The Main Hotel	No. 59, " "	" for 11 months.	
20	R. Mathay	"	Adjunct Licence.	The Occidental Hotel	Nos. 40 & 44, Elgin Road Kowloon	" for 1 year.	
21	Richard Francis Daly	"	Publican's Licence.	The Owl & Oyster Grill Room	No. 2, Wyndham Street	" for 6 months.	
22	Jose F. Savadras	"	Adjunct Licence.	Cafe Restaurant Weissmann	No. 34, Queen's Road Central	Has never held a licence before.	
23	Hans Weissmann	No.	"	The German Tavern	Nos. 285 & 286, Queen's Road	Has held a licence for about 14 years.	
24	Paul Weissmann	Yes.	Publican's Licence.	The Connaught House Hotel	No. 13, Queen's Road Central	" for 6 months.	
25	Frederick Bishop	"	Adjunct Licence.	"	"	"	

Magistracy,
Hongkong, 2nd November, 1904.

H. H. J. GOMPERTZ,
Police Magistrate.

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